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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Application of:

Applicant(s): Toshio Sugimoto

Serial No.: 10/629,215

Conf. No.: 5318

Filed: July 29, 2003

For: MAGNETO-OPTICAL RECORDING
MEDIUM POSSESSING A MAGNETIC
ASSIST LAYER (as amended)

Art Unit: 1773

Examiner: Bernatz, Kevin M.

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date.

August 12, 2004

Date

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	8	20	=	x \$18.00	= \$ -0-
Independent Claims	2	3	=	x \$86.00	= \$ -0-
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims				\$290.00	= \$ -0-
Total Additional Fee					\$ -0-
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)					\$ -0-

(X) Amendment A.

() A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached.

() Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate), with check in the amount of \$_____.

() Letter to Draftsperson, with _____ sheets of marked-up drawings.

() Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT A

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2004, please amend the above-identified Application as follows: